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BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETS

The county board of education met in the superintendent's office Monday, July 6, and disposed of a large volume of business.

A school house site of five acres was purchased from E. T. Raines for the location of a new school house at Lake Toxaway. A two-room building will be erected.

A school house site containing one acre at Cedar Mountain adjoining the present lot was bought from W. S. Hooker. On it a new building, to replace the one destroyed by fire, will be erected.

A contract for building a school house at Montvale, Hogback No. 3, was let to L. W. Duncan and James Bell.

The board decided to add another room to the Davidson River school in view of increase in population of the district, and made appropriation for three teachers.

The time of office of several committeemen having expired, a good many new appointments were made. These appointments were as follows:

Brevard No. 1, F. E. Shuford to succeed J. M. Kilpatrick; Davidson River, T. L. Gash to succeed E. A. Allison; Calvert, Peter Morgan to succeed G. G. Ballard; Rosman, A. M. White to succeed F. M. Glazener; Round Top, A. C. Landreth to succeed H. L. Allison; East Fork, Joe Gillespie to succeed Ernest Gillespie; Oak Forest, R. A. Garren to succeed P. T. Masters; Robinson, Calloway McCall to succeed Lewis Owen; Oakland, Love to succeed W. W. Reid; Montvale, Walter Lincoln to succeed W. E. Head; Cedar Mountain, J. S. Heath to succeed A. B. Hooker; Laurel Creek, W. M. Ball to succeed Tim Barton; Little River, Lee Kilpatrick to succeed R. L. Capps.

The board also apportioned the school funds to the various districts according to law, and fixed the salaries of teachers.

The first Monday in August was set as the date for the opening of schools, with the provision that a later date may be allowed on application of the committee of any school desiring to the chairman of the board of education. No schools may begin, however, later than the first Monday in October. All schools, according to law, must be continuous after opening, except for the Christmas holidays.

No date was set by the board for the beginning of the four months compulsory term.

BOYLSTON NEWS

We had a very severe hail storm in this section last week.

Weldon English made a business trip to Hendersonville Saturday.

Several of our people attended the Union meeting at Holly Springs Saturday.

Carl Orr and Mr. and Mrs. Fred spent Sunday afternoon at Weldon English's.

Miss Alice Banks of Horse Shoe, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Emma Reese.

Mr. Lightfoot preached a very interesting sermon at Boylston church Saturday and Sunday night and will also lecture three nights this week.

James and Henair Morris and Bert Cagle visited friends and relatives in this section last Saturday and Sunday.

BOBOLINK.

THE LOGICAL CANDIDATE

A number of voters in Catheys Creek township take this method of endorsing all that was said last week in reference to the claims of W. L. Aiken as an available candidate for sheriff by a Hogback democrat and would add that in our belief the placing of his name on the county ticket would give tone and strength. He is well known, his antecedents irreproachable, his competency undoubted and, best of all, no old scores to settle.

We are profoundly grateful to Hogback for the suggestion.

CATHEYS CREEK.

RECORDER'S COURT

The recorder has been unusually busy for the last two weeks. A session of court was held last Friday, and the usual Monday's session was held this week, in which a number of cases were disposed of.

On Friday were the following cases: State vs. Elbert Venson, carrying concealed weapons, not guilty.

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State vs. Eli and Jule Bryson, colored, carrying concealed weapons; two indictments, guilty in both, eight months on public roads.

State vs. Jule Bryson, carrying concealed weapons, guilty, four months on public roads.

Monday's docket was as follows: State vs. Bill Jones, carrying concealed weapons, guilty; to be hired out by commissioners for \$100.

State vs. G. E. Pence, selling pistol to minor, guilty; one penny and costs.

Against Philip White, colored, there were six indictments for carrying concealed weapons. In three of these he was found not guilty, prosecuting witness to pay costs. In three others he was found guilty. In one the sentence was to be hired out by county commissioners for \$100. Appeal given and waived in open court. In the other two cases judgment was suspended on payment of costs. Appeals given and waived in both.

A BIT OF HISTORY

Mr. Brevard Nixon returned yesterday from Brevard, N. C., where he had been called on account of the illness of his little daughter, Cornelia. He left her much improved. Mrs. Nixon, Mrs. M. C. Sims and little Miss Cornelia Nixon are spending the summer with Mrs. W. W. Zachary at Brevard. This is one of the favorite points of interest to the people of this section.

Mr. Nixon, in speaking of Brevard, said: "Brevard is about 2250 feet high; is surrounded by mountains, is cold enough every night to sleep under a blanket and is an ideal place for rest.

"Brevard was named for Dr. Ephriam Brevard (the author and one of the signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence). Davidson River, one of the beautiful streams flowing from its mountain spring into the French Broad, was named for Major John Davidson of Revolutionary fame.

"Brevard is the capital of Transylvania county, which was at one time a part of Mecklenburg, when this county extended from its eastern boundary to the Mississippi river, and the people of the two counties are mostly the same in traditions and genealogy.

"Brevard is in close touch with the many falls, mountain peaks, and places of natural interest so beautifully and entertainingly described by Christian Reid nearly half a century ago in her little mountain romance, "Land of the Sky," which first brought to notice of the world the beauty and grandeur of the mountains of western North Carolina.

"The names in the county make one think of the old records of Mecklenburg. For instance, Duckworth, Bell, McMahan, Zachary and many others remind you of the revolutionary records of this county. A Mecklenburger just feels at home while visiting this granddaughter of our own great county."

W. L. AIKEN FOR SHERIFF

For the due consideration of the democratic voters of Transylvania county we would respectfully submit the name of W. L. Aiken for sheriff of said county. He is competent, sober and honest, and would make a good officer.

A CITIZEN.

Mr. George Maxwell returned home recently from work of several months in south Georgia and Alabama.

HEAR THE ORPHANS

People of Brevard will have the opportunity next Tuesday night, July 21, of hearing the singing class of the Oxford orphanage as it stops here on its tour of this section of the state. The class has been here regularly for a number of years every summer, and it has never failed to give a good concert.

From their reputation as entertainers and for the cause they represent the children desire a full house.

Tickets are now on sale, the prices of admission being 15 cents for children, 25 cents for adults, and 35 cents for reserved seats.

JURY LIST

The following jurors have been drawn for the term of Superior court, beginning first Monday in September:

First Week—W. H. Hogsed, W. P. Clark, William J. Fisher, D. P. Kilpatrick, J. M. Orr, C. M. Doyle, W. R. Rhodes, C. C. Case, C. C. Morris, E. C. Aiken, G. W. Banther, A. J. Beck, W. E. Bird, J. W. Duckworth, C. W. Owen, C. I. Nicholson, C. W. Pickelsimer, Roland Hendricks, G. W. Wilson, M. E. Shipman, W. E. Bishop, L. F. Lyday, Rufus Galloway, R. O. Thomas, T. H. Grogan, J. L. Ledbetter, T. J. Wilson, B. A. Frady, Ed Hendricks, J. K. Barclay, W. S. Ashworth, J. C. Miles, John Bird, Jr., Luther Wilson, Miles Bryant, H. D. Orr, J. L. Simpson, H. E. Shipman, J. P. Deaver, W. L. Aiken, E. A. Glazener, V. B. McGaha.

Second Week—Ed Gillespie, G. A. Clayton, W. H. Olney, T. T. Corn, E. A. Batson, J. C. Bagwell, T. B. Cray, W. M. Bradley, S. R. Reid, C. L. Bryson, E. H. Kitchen, Will Davis, B. J. Glazener, G. P. Frady, T. E. Patton, Sr., V. M. Owenby, S. A. England, J. W. K. Lanning, Louis Gillespie, J. A. Muil, J. A. Young, W. A. Jenkins, John G. Neill, A. D. Lyday.

A FINE RECITAL

One of the surest tests of oratorical or literary art is found in the attempt to hold interest for a considerable time in productions that are unrelieved by flashes of wit or passages of humor. This difficult feat was fully accomplished last Friday night at the Auditorium by Mrs. May Putnam Clayton in the reading of Enoch Arden. The story, familiar to many, perhaps all of the audience, was retold in such a way as to illumine all the old beauties and give them the fascination of novelty. In the garden scene, where Enoch made his great renunciation, crying, "Help me not to tell her!" Mrs. Clayton rendered this passage of love, passion sacrifice with true insight and sympathy.

The piano part, rendered by Miss Blair, added much to the interpretation of the poem. Every character had its motif, and every scene was made more effective by the quality of the music that preceded or followed it. The part was well performed, with the skill and understanding of a real musician.

The applause was generous and the audience gave evidence of much appreciation throughout the entertainment.

AUCTION HORSE SALE

At the auction sale here last Saturday the following bought horses: J. S. Shook, two horses, \$172.50; J. L. Aiken, two, \$155; J. M. Kilpatrick, two, \$120; E. F. Moffitt, one, \$61; J. H. McLean, one, \$52; John Cantrell, one, \$55; Mrs. C. M. Cooke, one, \$100; A. H. King, one, \$125; J. F. Lance, one, \$45; I. C. Tinsley, one, \$40.

J. M. Kirby of Knoxville, Tenn., was manager, and Victor McLean, a nephew of Dr. J. H. McLean, also of Knoxville, was auctioneer. B. E. Paxton was bookkeeper.

Mr. B. T. Outland and granddaughter, Miss Edith Outland, of Statesboro, Ga. are at the Aethelwold.

REV. J. A. BRYAN

The evangelistic meetings at the Presbyterian church will be opened next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock with a Bible talk by Major Joseph Hardee.

The evening service will be conducted by the pastor. The Monday morning service at 11 o'clock by Rev. E. H. Norwood. The evening service by Rev. W. M. Robbins. Rev. J. A. Bryan will arrive from Birmingham, Ala., in time for Tuesday morning's service and preach again at night that day and on through the week, including the following Sunday.

We clip the following notice from the Birmingham Ledger:

"Twenty-five years is a long time as we measure human life, and twenty-five years of hard work is unusual. Last Sunday and Monday, Rev. J. A. Bryan celebrated his twenty-five years of life in Birmingham. It has been a missionary career, for Mr. Bryan is by nature and choice a missionary. He has been offered easier work and better pay in other places, but he has devoted his life to this work and he has built up a large church which believes in him and loves him.

"Presbyterians do not like to change their ministers, and the Third church will hold Mr. Bryan as long as he will stay with it. He loves it as he loves his children.

"It is not often in Protestant churches that a scholar becomes a missionary, yet Mr. Bryan has done that. He was an honor man at college, won prizes for oratory, yet he comes as near being a real missionary today as any minister in Alabama. Self-sacrificing, earnest, tireless and devoted, he has done work enough to deserve a monument, and he is only well into middle life. Birmingham feels honored by his presence and congratulates him and his congregation."

NEW BOOKS AT LIBRARY

The following books have recently been shelved at the Transylvania Confederate Memorial Library: Martha by the Day, Sunshine Jane, Little Citizens, Told by Uncle Remus, Col. Carter of Cartersville, Doctor Lavender's People, Old Chester Tales, Making Over Martha, Chance, Penrod, Flying U. Ranch, The Fortunate Youth, The Elusive Pimpernel, Miss Billy—Married, The Carolina Mountains, The Tinder Box, The Light of the Western Stars, They Who Knock at Our Gates, The Story of Ab, Dark Hollow, Unto Caesar, Our Southern Highlanders, Miss Billy's Decision, Misalliance, East of the Shadows, Us (an old-fashioned story), The House That Grew, Before Adam, The Principal Girl, The Blossom Shop, When Ghost Meets Ghost, The Wood Fire in No. 3, By Pike and Dyke, Five Little Peppers, Quo Vadis.

Library hours are from 11:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m., and from 4:30 to 6 p. m.

TEACHERS' CERTIFICATES

The examination of white teachers for certificates necessary for teaching in the public schools of this county took place at the Brevard graded school building on Thursday and Friday of last week, under direction of Superintendent Henderson. As a result of this examination the following were granted certificates:

Misses Sue Heath, Victoria Gillespie, Lona McKinna, Clessie Whitmire, Della Gillespie, Grace Gillespie, Maxie Reese, Etta McCall, Docia Case, Messrs. Oscar Parker, Spurgeon Ledbetter, George Reese, Misses Verona Neal and May Burns.

Reading Circle Course—Miss Nan-nie Jordan.

The superintendent was assisted in the grading of papers by Mrs. Brooks, instructor in pedagogics at the summer school of Brevard Institute.

NORTH CAROLINA SLOPPY WITH OPPORTUNITIES

Address of Bion H. Butler before the North Carolina Press Association at Wrightsville Beach.

Continued from last week.

The newspaper must be a clearing house for information concerning the state, the county and the town. Every new farm, every new factory; every new thing that tells of development and expansion should get a place on the first page with a two-stack head. I figure in our paper that building a dozen new tobacco barns on Pinebluff farm is of more consequence than the vote for the candidate for congress or governor.

An example of this helpful enthusiasm is the Southern Pines Tourist, one of the most aggressive development factors in the state, as well as a model village newspaper.

I don't mind telling you a trade secret if you will go home and profit by it: Every time we start something new over in Hoke county we try to tell it to The Observer, the News and Observer, the Star and all the other papers that want to know what is going on in the state. They can't keep a secret and they tell it to their readers and every few days you notice that something new is breaking loose in the sandhills I don't know whether our section is better than yours, but we go on the theory that our section is the best on earth, and our favored bird is not the American eagle, but the wise old hen who makes a note of the occurrence every time she lays an egg and alludes to it several times during the day before and after laying it. We believe in advertising.

It is useless to enumerate the opportunities in North Carolina. We could accommodate in this state many millions of people. People are what we lack. We lack people because the rest of this country, which is supplying settlers for all the United States and Canada, does not know North Carolina. Within the next year and nearly every year, a million or more Americans will hunt new homes. They will not find anything better than North Carolina but they will go elsewhere for want of knowledge of North Carolina. You who print papers in the tobacco belt should get some of your papers into the hands of people in the tobacco sections of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Wisconsin and elsewhere. You in the corn counties should be in touch with people in the corn country of the north and west. The climate of the north and west is fierce and people are running away from it constantly. Our climate is one of our greatest assets and when it is known what a climate we have and what other advantages, we will get people.

We should have an aggressive publicity bureau in the association. The western states spend hundreds of thousands of dollars to settle their country which is not half so attractive as ours, but they settle it, and get their money back in the increased business. They get marvelous and rapid results. If California, with the hustle those folks have, should unite the rainfall of North Carolina and the climate to their hustle they would make five million bales of cotton a year and spin it. On the sandy lands of this state could be made cotton to clothe millions of the people of Europe if farmers were here to use the available cheap land. The United States makes fifteen million bales of cotton a year. The cotton states of the south constitute the only part of the globe that makes enough cotton to satisfy its needs. In the United States we, each of us, use an average of about thirty pounds of cotton a year. In most of the world the average amount for each individual is not above three pounds. To provide the world liberally with cotton would take a crop of a hundred and fifty million bales a year. North Carolina is the safest cotton state on earth, and raises more to the acre.

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